

**MINUTES  
FREMONT CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 17, 2020  
FREMONT CITY HALL  
7:00 P.M.**

**1. PRELIMINARY**

- A. Call to Order:** Mayor Mei called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
- B. Flag Salute:** City Manager Danaj led the salute to the flag.
- C. Roll Call:** Present: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon, Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao
- D. Announcements by Mayor/City Manager – None.**

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- \* **A. Waive Reading of Ordinances:** The City Attorney read the titles of ordinances to be considered.

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council waived further readings of proposed ordinances.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon, Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

- \* **B. Approval of Minutes – None.**

- \* **C. Mayor Mei opened consideration of a Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance of the City of Fremont Establishing Speed Limits on Certain City Streets and Amending Fremont Municipal Code Section 10.05.1000 Titles “Declared Prima Facie Speed Limits”**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon, Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**\* D. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Plans and Specifications and Award of Contract to VSS International, Inc. in the Amount of \$4,285,120.00 to Perform Pavement Work at Various Locations Citywide (PWC 8195-S2) (2020 Cape and Slurry Seal Project)**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon,  
Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**\* E. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Service Agreement with Safe Moves, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$119,400 for Traffic Safety Education Services**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon,  
Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**\* F. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Cooperative Agreements with Caltrans to Support the Planning, Environmental Clearance and Design Phases for the Sabercat Bridge and Trail Over I-680 Project (PWC 8977) (Sabercat/680 Project)**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon,  
Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**\* G. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval for Closeout of Completed Capital Projects and Partial Defunding of Selected Projects; and Approval of Fund Transfers and Appropriations (Capital Project Closeouts)**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon,  
Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

\* **H. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval of Transmittal of Fiscal Year 2018/19 Audit Reports (Fiscal Year 2018/19 Financial Audit)**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon,  
Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**3. CEREMONIAL ITEMS – None.**

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Oral and Written Communications**

Email communications were placed on file.

**5. SCHEDULED ITEMS**

**A. Mayor Mei opened consideration to Receive Presentation on the Effect of State Laws Limiting Local Control over Residential Development on the City of Fremont (Update on State Housing Legislation)**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon,  
Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**B. Mayor Mei opened consideration of a Public Hearing (Published Notice) to Consider the Planning Commission's Recommendation to Adopt an Ordinance Amending Fremont Municipal Code Title 18 (Planning and Zoning) to Ensure Compliance with Recently Adopted California State Laws Pertaining to Accessory Dwelling Units, and to Consider an Exemption from the Requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act**

**(CEQA) Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.17, which States that CEQA Does Not Apply to a City’s Adoption of an Ordinance to Implement the Provisions of Government Code Section 65852.2. (Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance Update – Citywide – PLN2020-00176)**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon, Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**C. Mayor Mei opened consideration of a Public Hearing (Published Notice) to Consider an Annual Report on the Status of Implementation of the General Plan and the 2015 – 2023 Housing Element, and to Consider an Exemption from the Requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 in that the Annual Report Does Not Meet CEQA’s Definition of a “Project.” (2019 Housing Element Annual Progress Report)**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon, Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**6. REPORT FROM CITY ATTORNEY – None.**

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. Mayor Mei opened consideration of Approval to Adopt a Resolution Ratifying the Proclamation of Local Emergency**

Fire Chief Jacobson provided information regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and expressed the desire to protect the health and welfare of the community, provide essential services, and work with our healthcare and community partners to safeguard the residents and visitors of Fremont. The Fremont Fire Department will continue to provide updated guidance, in conjunction with the City Manager’s Office, throughout the duration of this publicly declared health emergency.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Jones, seconded by Councilmember Bacon, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-07 ratifying the Proclamation of Local Emergency, declared on March 13, 2020, by the City Manager in his capacity as Director of Emergency Services.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon,  
Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**B. Mayor Mei opened consideration of an Update on the Status of the FY 2019/20 General Fund Operating Budget and Preliminary Three-Year Forecast; Approve Budget Adjustments (Fiscal Year 2019/20 Mid-Year Budget Review)**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon,  
Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**C. Mayor Mei opened consideration of a Report to Fremont City Council on how the City Manager will administer the new Special Event Sponsorship Program (Special Event Sponsorship Program Review Committee)**

On a motion by Councilmember Shao, seconded by Vice Mayor Jones, the City Council continued item to a date uncertain due to local emergency.

Ayes: Mayor Mei, Vice Mayor Jones, Councilmembers: Bacon,  
Salwan, Keng, Kassan, and Shao  
Noes: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

**8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Council Referrals – None.**

**B. Oral Reports on Meetings and Events – None.**

**9. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Mayor Mei adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

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Susan Gauthier, City Clerk

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LILY MEI, Mayor

\*Consent Items